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## CICP PROVIDER ELIGIBILITY TRAININGS

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The season returns again for CICP Eligibility Trainings. The informational training is meant to assist the providers and their staff who work with the CICP in understanding the eligibility determination process, the client application, changes to the CICP and provides a question and answer session. **Please remember space may be limited and refreshments may not be available, so plan accordingly.** Each session is approximately three hours, depending on the number of questions. The first round of trainings outside the Denver Metro Area followed by a Denver Metro Area training and will occur on the following dates and locations:

Monday, June 18, 2007 – Fort Collins – Family Medicine Center  
9:00am to Noon

Tuesday, June 19, 2007 – Steamboat Springs – Yampa Valley Medical Center  
9:00am to Noon

Wednesday, June 20, 2007 – Glenwood Springs – Valley View Hospital  
9:00am to Noon

Thursday, June 21, 2007 – Alamosa – Valley Wide Health Systems  
9:30am to 12:30pm

Friday, June 22, 2007 – Pueblo – Parkview Medical Center  
9:00am to Noon

Monday, June 25, 2007 – Colorado Springs – Penrose St. Francis  
Noon to 3:00pm

Thursday, June 28, 2007 – Denver – Denver Health  
2:30pm to 4:00pm

**RSVP BY JUNE 8, 2007** by email to [Corinne.Lamberson@state.co.us](mailto:Corinne.Lamberson@state.co.us) or by phone at 303-866-2580 to secure a seat. THANK YOU to the providers for your willingness to host a training session. We appreciate your generosity and everything you do to make the CICP a successful program.

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## **COMPREHENSIVE PRIMARY AND PREVENTIVE CARE GRANT PROGRAM AND THE PRIMARY CARE FUND UPDATE**

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The application for the Primary Care Fund for State fiscal year 2007-08 (July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008) was released on Friday, April 13, 2007. Important dates in the provider application process are as follows:

Wednesday, May 16, 2007, 9:00 to 11:00am - Second Pre-Bid Applicant Conference

Friday, May 25, 2007, 2:00pm - Application Responses Due

Criteria to qualify for funding through this program are specified in the application. The application and other information on the program can be obtained at the following website:  
[http://www.chcpf.state.co.us/HCPF/primary\\_care\\_fund.asp](http://www.chcpf.state.co.us/HCPF/primary_care_fund.asp)

The application schedule for the Comprehensive Primary and Preventive Care (CPPC) Grant Program has been tentatively set. The Department plans to release the application on Friday, May 25, 2007, with an application response deadline of Friday, June 29, 2007. These dates could change so check for updates on the program's website at <http://www.chcpf.state.co.us/HCPF/cppc/cppcindex.asp>

Health care providers interested in receiving funding from either of these programs are encouraged to visit the programs' websites to obtain more information. Please contact Kerri Coffey, Safety Net Financing Grant Program Coordinator, at 303-866-4131 or [Kerri.Coffey@state.co.us](mailto:Kerri.Coffey@state.co.us) if you have questions on either of these programs.

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## **MEDICAID DRA REQUIREMENTS & CICP ELIGIBILITY**

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On February 8, 2006, the Deficit Reduction Act (DRA) of 2005 was enacted into law. This federal law requires that Medicaid clients and applicants provide specific documentation to establish their U.S. citizenship and identity. An applicant cannot be determined qualified for Medicaid until he or she has provided the required citizenship and identity documentation. It has been brought to the attention of the CICP Administration that there have been unique situations in which an applicant appears to be Medicaid eligible, but is unable to obtain the appropriate DRA documents required to enroll in Medicaid. In these unique situations the applicant, however, may be able to meet the House Bill 06S-1023 documentation requirements for the Colorado Indigent Care Program (CICP). The CICP Administration does want those who qualify for Medicaid to actively pursue becoming enrolled under Medicaid, but if the DRA documents requirements become a hardship and are the reason the client cannot enroll under Medicaid, the client should have the opportunity to be included in the CICP.

At this time, the CICP Administration will consider these unique situations on a case-by-case basis and will examine a long-term protocol with providers in the future. The CICP Administration requests that providers send a written communication outlining the issue why the applicant cannot meet the DRA documentation requirements and the provider's desire to include the applicant who under the CICP. The CICP Administration will respond to these case-by-case determinations which will provide a written confirmation that may be included in the provider's CICP files for auditing purposes.

Please send any questions or your requests to Corinne Lamberson, Eligibility Specialist, at [Corinne.Lamberson@state.co.us](mailto:Corinne.Lamberson@state.co.us).

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## **CICP Provider & Stakeholders Forum Update**

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At the March 26, 2007 Provider Meeting, the Department discussed the possibility of creating of a provider and stakeholder's forum and the idea was greeted positively. The purpose of this forum is to have a cross selection of members from various community organizations in addition to CICP providers to discuss issues related to the program. The Department is currently drafting a letter to providers containing the details of the meeting that will be distributed in the near future. We will be asking several providers to volunteer their time to participate on this forum. We ask for your patience as we develop this new forum, which is expected to begin in early August 2007.